[OMB Control No. 2900-0688]

Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review: *VAAR 832.202–04,*Security For Government Financing

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Office of Acquisition and Logistics (OAL), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0688."

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521.

<u>Title</u>: Department of Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR)832.202–4, Security for Government Financing.

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Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The information that is gathered under VAAR 832.202–4 will be used by the VA contracting officer to assess whether or not the contractor's overall financial condition represents adequate security to warrant paying the contractor in advance. FAR subpart 32.2 authorizes the use of certain types of Government financing on commercial item purchases. 41 United States Code (U.S.C.) 255(f) requires the Government to obtain adequate security for Government financing. However, FAR 32.202–4(a)(2) provides that, subject to agency regulations, the contracting officer may determine that an offeror's financial condition is adequate security. VAAR 832.202–4 Security for Government Financing specifies the type of information that the contracting officer may obtain to determine whether or not the offeror's financial condition constitutes adequate security.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The *Federal Register* Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 85 FR 60 on March 31, 2021, page 16845.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 63 hours

<u>Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent</u>: 60 minutes.

<u>Frequency of Response</u>: on occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 21.

By direction of the Secretary:

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